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House Bill _____
By _____

Senate No. SJR0256
By Womack

A RESOLUTION to congratulate and commend Mary Ellen Coleman on her outstanding work and exemplary performance as the state intern to the Senate Education Committee of the Tennessee General Assembly.

WHEREAS, throughout the course of each legislative session, there have on occasion emerged certain individuals who far exceed the basic requirements set forth for them to follow; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ellen Coleman has distinguished herself as one such individual through her hard work as a legislative intern to the esteemed Senate Education Committee and her tireless efforts resulted in untold benefits to Chairman, Senator Andy Womack and the committee staff, Sandi Jones and Jacqueline Nash; and

WHEREAS, Miss Coleman is a proud Tennessean hailing from beautiful Oak Ridge where she is the daughter of David and Mary Lee Coleman; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ellen is currently a senior at the University of Tennessee majoring in History and minoring in English and will be completing her degree in August; and

WHEREAS, she has experienced the finer points of the Tennessee General Assembly and has become well-versed in xerox operations, the fine art of lamination, the importance of intern meetings and the timeliness of timecards; and

WHEREAS, she has also enjoyed the great things that come from being a state intern with the Senate Education Committee such as hanging with Team Womack, La Paz, Gerst Haus, pool at Big River, Tower Records and the mecca of cool in Nashville, Gruhn Guitars; and

WHEREAS, she has become acquainted with those people who make the Tennessee General Assembly truly special, including John Ford, Tommy Milam, Lt. Gov. John Shelton Wilder and especially Bobby Patray; and

WHEREAS, her outstanding work will stand her in good stead as she pursues a career in environmental law since she has seen a toxic waste reception center, uh we mean the Senate Judiciary Committee, in action; and

WHEREAS, she has conducted herself in a meritorious manner and learned the value of "don't be a chip" which in the world of politics was best defined by Groucho Marx as "Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it everywhere, diagnosing it incorrectly, and applying the wrong remedies."; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ellen, a.k.a. "Mel" has also had the privilege of harassing and being harassed by fellow office intern John "Gumby" Hardin and will remember the experience fondly; and

WHEREAS, the only thing besides a congratulatory resolution that could make her internship complete would be a tour of the Gibson Guitar plant or private quarters at Big River, neither of which obtained the necessary funding (we decided not to be fished in by the fishwoman); and

WHEREAS, Miss Mary Ellen Coleman has performed her duties and many responsibilities with extraordinary ingenuity and decorum which in the words of Speaker Wilder translates to "She was good."; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING,
That we hereby commend and congratulate Mary Ellen Coleman on her outstanding service as
a state intern to the esteemed Senate Education Committee, Senator Andy Womack, Chairman
and committee staff, Sandi Jones and Jacqueline Nash and express our deepest appreciation
and thanks to her. We wish Mel every good thing in life and success in all her future efforts. GO
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That two (2) appropriate copies of this resolution be
prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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